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THE STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

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To the inhabitants of the Town of Windham in the County of Rockingham, in said State, qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the lower Town Hall, in said town, on Tuesday, the 13th day of March next, at ten of the clock in the forenoon, to act upon the following subjects:

1. To choose all necessary town officers for the year ensuing.

2. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for the repair of highways and bridges for the year ensuing.

3. To raise such sums of money as may be necessary for other necessary town charges.

4. To see how much money the town will vote to raise for the observance of Memorial Day.

5. By petition, To see if the town will authorize the Antiquarian Committee to place in the Reading Room of the Armstrong Memorial Building one or two small cabinets for ancient books and antiquarian articles and appropriate a sum not exceeding $25 for the purpose.

6. By request, To see if the town will vote to purchase a new road machine, and if voted in the affirmative, to vote to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expense; also to choose a committee to carry the vote into effect.

7. By request, To see if the Town will vote to purchase a stone crusher, and if voted in the affirmative, to vote to raise such sums of money as may be necessary to defray the expense; also to choose a committee to carry the vote into effect.

8. By request, To see if the town will vote to instruct the Selectmen to purchase new seats for the upper hall.

9. By request, To see if the town will continue the free use of the Town Hall to the Ladies' Union Benevolent Society.

10. To hear the report of agents, auditors, committees or officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Given under our hands and seal this 23d day of February in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred.

GEORGE H. CLARK,
J. W. DINSMOOR,
J. ARTHUR NESMITH,
Selectmen of Windham.

A true copy.

Attest:

GEORGE H. CLARK,
J. W. DINSMOOR,
J. ARTHUR NESMITH,
Selectmen of Windham.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1899.

MODERATOR,
HORACE BERRY.

TOWN CLERK,
JOHN E. COCHRAN,

SELECTMEN,
GEO. H. CLARK, JOSEPH W. DINSMOOR,
J. ARTHUR NESMITH.

TREASURER,
HIRAM S. REYNOLDS.

COLLECTOR,
HORACE BERRY.

SUPERVISORS,
ALBERT W. FARMER, CHARLES O. PARKER,
GEORGE F. ARMSTRONG.

ROAD AGENTS.
WILLIAM D. COCHRAN, CHARLES O. PARKER,
FRANK H. JEWETT.

CONSTABLE,
FRANK W. BEAN.

SCHOOL BOARD.
EDWARD A. HASKEL, term expires March, 1900.
WILLIAM C. HARRIS, term expires March, 1901.
WILLIAM L. EMERSON, term expires March, 1902.

SCHOOL DISTRICT CLERK,
JOHN E. COCHRAN.

SCHOOL DISTRICT TREASURER,
WILLIAM L. EMERSON.

SCHOOL DISTRICT MODERATOR,
HORACE BERRY.

BOARD OF HEALTH,
ALBERT W. FARMER, JOHN H. DINSMORE,
JAMES D. HEALD.

AUDITORS,
JOHN E. COCHRAN, JOHN H. DINSMORE.

REPRESENTATIVE,
GEORGE E. SEAVY.

SELECTMEN'S REPORT.

INVENTORY OF THE TOWN OF WINDHAM TAKEN APRIL 1, 1899.

Real Estate,		$277,273
Number of Polls,	163	16,300
Horses,	232	9,961
Oxen,	6	300
Cows,	455	12,190
Neat Stock,	63	1,071
Sheep,	10	25
Fowls,	545	273
Carriages,	5	425
Money at interest,		4,500
Stock in trade,		10,540
Mills and machinery,		6,900
		$339,758

MONEY RAISED BY TAXATION.

State tax,	$641 75
County tax,	1,038 00
Highway tax,	1,500 00
Town expenses,	300 00
Memorial Day,	35 00
For schools,	1,255 00
School supplies,	75 00
Schoolhouse repairs,	50 00
Overlay,	201 62
	$5,096 37

Rate per cent, $1.50 per $100.

EXPENDITURES.

HIGHWAYS AND BRIDGES.

Paid Frank H. Jewett,	$504 96
Charles O. Parker,	475 68
William D. Cochran	516 94
	$1,497 58

SNOW PATHS FOR 1899.

Paid Albert W. Farmer,	$62 12
Wm. D. Cochran,	53 77
Charles O. Parker,	10 64
	$126 53

TOWN OFFICERS.

Paid A. L. Barker, balance of services as Selectman,	$12 00
Frank W. Bean, services as Constable and Dog Killer, 1897,	10 00
Frank W. Bean, services to prevent use of fire arms on Sunday, 1897,	10 00
William C. Harris, services as member of School Board, 1899	20 00
William Harris, services as Chairman of Tablet Committee,	10 00
A. E. Simpson, services as Auditor for 1898,	2 00
Edward A. Haskell, services as Chairman of School Board, 1899,	40 00
John E. Cochran, services as Town Clerk, 1899,	25 00
" " " Auditor, 1898,	4 00
Joseph W. Dinsmoor, services as Selectman to Feb. 15, 1900,	57 25
J. Arthur Nesmith, services as Selectman, to Feb. 15, 1900,	39 00
Harland A. Cochran, services as Dog Killer,	10 00
Geo. H. Clark, services as Chairman of Selectmen, to Feb. 15, 1900,	76 50

Paid John H. Dinsmore, services as member of Board of Health,	$ 3 00
Hiram S. Reynolds, services as Treasurer,	25 00
Horace Berry, services as Collector,	50 00
" " " Moderator,	4 00
William L. Emerson, services as member of School Board,	10 00
William L. Emerson, Treasurer of School Board	15 00
	$422 75

MISCELLANEOUS.

Paid J. H. Barker, printing town reports,	$40 00
C. A. Norton, insurance on schoolhouses,	40 00
Charles A. Parker, use of watering trough, 1899	3 00
F. J. Hughes, for Memorial Day,	35 00
Fuller & Winslow, memorial tablets,	330 00
G. H. H. Silsby & Son, three record books,	26 00
C. H. Abbott, services making raids,	5 00
A. E. Simpson, use of watering trough 1899,	2 00
Charles O. Parker, labor, cleaning and grading common and relaying drain,	33 30
Charles O. Parker, drawing, sawing and housing 11 cords wood,	11 00
Charles O. Parker, cash paid for 30 loads of gravel,	1 50
A. L. Barker, use of watering trough,	3 00
E. A. Haskell, use of watering trough,	2 00
Olin Parker, use of watering trough	2 00
John E. Cochran, recording births, deaths and marriages,	4 20
John E. Cochran, postage and stationery,	2 00
" " labor on ballot box,	1 00
" " one search warrant,	1 50
John W. M. Worledge, use of watering trough,	3 00
F. J. Hughes, use of watering trough,	2 00

Paid J. W. Dinsmore, car fare out of town,	$ 90
" " cash paid for counsel,	2 00
" " " " " use of telephone,	25
George H. Clark, postage and stationery,	1 75
" " tax collector's book,	2 50
" " car fare out of town,	3 45
William D. Cochran, part of interest due cemetery committee,	104 55
George H. Clark, one lamp for common,	3 75
" " cash paid physicians for returning births, deaths and marriages,	3 75
Hiram S. Reynolds, interest on money hired,	25 00
Horace Berry, postage and stationery,	3 50
G. K. & B. T. Bartlett, services in dismissing Austin vs. Windham case,	25 00
G. K. & B. T. Bartlett, services at Railroad Commissioners' meeting,	5 00
George H. Clark, cash paid for legal advice,	2 00
" " " " on record books,	25
	$731 15

TOWN POOR.

Paid Geo. H. Clark, groceries furnished J. Anderson,	$3 29

COUNTY POOR.

Fortunately none.

TRANSIENT POOR.

Paid J. G. Goodwin, ration and lodging 16 tramps,	$2 40
Chas. I. Woodman, ration and lodging 7 tramps,	1 05
	$3 45

NESMITH LIBRARY.

Paid J. H. Barker, printing 500 library labels,	$1 90
Mrs. C. I. Woodman, services as librarian to May 8, 1899,	40 00

Paid C. A. Norton, one-half insurance on library books,	$ 22 50
F. S. Pillsbury, supplies for library,	2 55
Myron Richardson, lumber for cold air box,	3 92
Holmes & Wheeler, 5910 lbs. coal at $5.25,	15 54
J. A. Nesmith, 10 gals. oil,	1 00
" " 1 chimney,	10
" " 20 ft. drain tile,	2 00
" " drawing coal from Derry,	3 00
" " 15 hrs. labor on cold air box,	2 25
Chas. O. Parker, 1 1-2 cords wood for library,	4 75
John G. Bradford, oil and nails,	2 04
John E. Cochran, car fare and expense procuring books,	4 05
John E. Cochran, express paid on books,	1 00
" " 18 hours' labor on library,	3 60
" " interest on fund,	60 00
Lawrence Rubber Co., mat for library,	10 40
W. E. Rice Co., rebinding books,	4 50
James Ward, Jr., cards and frames for library,	3 25
Derry News, printing notices,	1 00
G. H. Clark, 20 gals oil,	2 20
" " 1 oil can,	1 10
" " 2 hitching posts,	4 50
Albert Watson, car fare and expense procuring books,	4 05
Chas. I. Woodman, care of library to May 15,	2 00
H. Clark, 1-2 cord of kindlings,	2 50
G. H. Clark, 2 window screens,	50
	$206 20

TOWN HOUSE.

Paid C. A. Norton, one-half insurance on Town House,	$24 00
I. G. Goodwin, services as janitor,	15 00
" " repairing stove,	25
" " housing and sawing wood,	50

Paid Geo. H. Clark, 1-2 doz. burners,	$ 50
" " 1 doz. chimneys,	65
" " " " large,	2 25
" " 30 gals. oil,	3 30
H. Clark, 1-2 cord kindlings,	2 50
	$48 95

ABATEMENT OF TAXES.

Paid Edward E. Johnson, poll tax for 1898,	$1 30
Albert W. Butterfield, poll tax for 1898,	1 30
Frank H. Wells, poll tax for 1898,	1 30
Albert Jennis, poll tax for 1898,	1 30
E. E. Buckle, part property tax,	91
A. A. Goodwin, poll tax for 1899,	1 50
Zephen Tuzenia, poll tax for 1899,	1 50
Mary Hall, part of property tax for 1899,	3 75
Charles Woodbury, part of property tax for 1899,	1 65
	$14 51

FOR EDUCATION.

Paid William L. Emerson amount required to raise by law,	$755 00
William L. Emerson, town appropriation,	500 00
" " literary money for 1899,	56 00
" " license on dogs for 1898,	102 43
	$1,413 43

SCHOOL SUPPLIES AND REPAIRS ON SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Paid William L. Emerson, amount raised for school supplies	$75 00
Paid William L. Emerson, amount raised for school-house repairs,	50 00
	$125 00

SUMMARY.

Paid highways and bridges,	$1,497 58
Snow paths,	126 53
Town officers,	422 75
Miscellaneous,	731 15
Town poor,	3 29
County poor,	0 00
Transient poor,	3 45
Nesmith Library,	206 20
Town house,	48 95
Abatement of taxes,	14 51
Education,	1,413 43
School supplies and repairs,	125 00
	$4,592 84

FINANCIAL STANDING.

The following is the financial standing of the town Feb. 15th, 1900, not including trust funds.

ASSETS.

By cash in treasury,	$537 10
due from collector 1896,	7 00
" " " 1897,	10 00
" " " 1898,	11 00
" " " 1899,	280 00
	$845 10

LIABILITIES.

To cash in treasury due cemetery committee, interest on funds,	$69 97
To cash in treasury, highways,	2 42
" " " school district No. 4, note, H. S. Reynolds, agent.	500 00
	$572 39

Balance in favor of town, $272.71.

Respectfully submitted,

GEO. H. CLARK,
J. W. DINSMOOR,
J. ARTHUR NESMITH, } *Selectmen of Windham.*

Windham, Feb. 23rd, 1900.

We, the auditors, have this day examined the above accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN E. COCHRAN,
JOHN H. DINSMORE, } *Auditors.*

TRUST FUNDS.

Herewith is a statement of trust funds now in our possession and the disposition which has been made of the same.

THE COL. THOMAS NESMITH FUND.

One thousand dollars was given to the town and six per cent. interest to be paid annually for the purchase of books for the Nesmith Library. It is invested in the Town of Windham. This fund was given in May, 1871.

GEORGE WILSON FUND.

One thousand dollars was given to the town, and the income to be expended in beautifying and fertilizing the cemetery on the hill. It is deposited in the Mechanics Bank, Nashua. This fund was given Jan. 21st, 1893. In about three months after the deposit was made the bank was put into the hands of a receiver. The bank has paid two dividends of fifteen per cent. each, the balance still remaining in the bank, with prospect of a small dividend in the future. Mr. Wilson kindly supplements his gift by sending his check of five hundred dollars, to make good to the town the possible loss on the deposit. It is invested in the town of Windham. This check was received May 1st, 1896.

DORA HASELTINE FUND.

Five hundred dollars was given to the town, and six per cent. interest to be paid annually in the care of the cemetery on the plain. It is invested in the town of Windham. This fund was given May 1st, 1896.

ARMSTRONG MEMORIAL FUND.

One thousand dollars was given to the town by George W. Armstrong, and accepted at a special town meeting, held Sept. 20th, 1899, the income of which is to be used in keeping the "Armstrong Memorial Building" in good repair.

This fund was left in the hands of the trustees of the "Armstrong Memorial Building" to invest as they saw fit, and they, acting upon a suggestion of the donor, have purchased five (5) shares of the capital

stock of the Pullman Car Company at 189 1-2, paying a commission of $1.25 for the purchase, leaving a balance of $51.25 now in the hands of the trustees unexpended. One quarterly dividend of $10 has already been received from this investment and satisfactory results are promised for the future.

TREASURER'S REPORT.

The report of the Town Treasurer for the fiscal year ending Feb. 15, 1900 is respectfully submitted.

1899	RECEIPTS.	
Feb. 15,	To cash in Treasury,	$ 423 65
May 12,	To money hired of Mary J. Reynolds,	200 00
" 15,	To money hired of Mary E. Robinson,	350 00
" 15,	To money hired of Wm. L. Emerson,	100 00
" 15,	To money hired of Cinderilla Moor,	100 00
June 27,	To money hired of Nellie Steele,	500 00
" 27,	To money hired of Wm. L. Emerson,	100 00
Dec. 22,	To cash received of State Treasurer, R. R. tax,	366 06
" 22,	To cash received of State Treasurer, savings bank tax,	298 57
" 22,	To cash received of State Treasurer, literary fund,	56 43
" 22,	To cash received for dog licenses, '99,	125 43
1900		
Feb. 15,	To cash received from Grange, use of hall, 1899,	16 50
" 15,	To cash received, Ladies' Benevolent Society,	50
" 15,	To cash received from Briggs,	50
" 15,	To cash received from County Treas,	4 50
" 15,	To cash received of H. Berry, interest on 1898 tax,	20 00
" 15,	To cash received of Wm. Powell, liquor case, 1899,	25 00
" 15,	To cash to balance 1895 tax,	2 25
" 15,	To cash on account of 1896 tax,	26

Feb. 15,	To cash on account of 1897 tax,	$ 10 00	
" 15,	To cash on account of 1898 tax,	681 82	
" 15,	To cash on account of 1899,	4,816 37	
" 15,	To cash received from trustees, interest on Armstrong library fund,	10 00	
			$8,207 84

EXPENDITURES.

Paid State Tax,	$ 641 75	
County Tax,	1,038 00	
Mary E. Robinson's note,	350 00	
Mary E. Robinson interest on same,	13 20	
Nellie C. Steele's note,	500 00	
Nellie C. Steele interest on same,	16 18	
Wm. L. Emerson's notes,	200 00	
Wm. L. Emerson interest on same,	7 19	
Cinderilla Moor's note,	100 00	
Cinderilla Moor interest on same,	3 86	
Mary J. Reynold's note,	200 00	
Mary J. Reynolds interest on same,	7 72	
68 orders	4,592 84	
1900 Feb. 15, To cash in Treasury,	537 10	
		$8,207 84

Respectfully submitted,

H. S. REYNOLDS, *Treasurer.*

Feb. 15, 1900.

Windham, N. H., Feb. 15, 1900.

We, the undersigned auditors, have this day examined the accounts of Hiram S. Reynolds, treasurer, and find them correctly cast, with satisfactory vouchers for all disbursemehts.

JOHN E. COCHRAN, }
JOHN H. DINSMORE, } *Auditors.*

REPORT OF HIGHWAY AGENTS.

W. D. COCHRAN, Agent.

Paid W. D. Cochran, 19 days 6 hours,	$39 20
" " team 18 days, 5 hours,	37 00
Henry J. Richardson, 16 1-4 days, at $1.50,	24 38
John Robbins, 20 days, at $1.50,	30 00
A. A. Morrison, man, 3 days, 2 1-2 hours,	4 88
" " team 2 days,	4 00
Joseph O. A. Lamson, 15 days, 7 hours,	23 55
Allen Moore, 6 3-4 days,	10 13
Levi Lamson, 6 days,	9 00
Will Barry, 14 3-4 days,	22 13
" team, 11 3-4 days,	23 50
John H. K. Lamson, 8 1-2 days,	12 75
Arthur Ward, 3 days,	4 50
H. A. Cochran, 11 1-2 days,	17 25
Christie Hanson, 2 days,	3 00
Patrick Mahoney, 3 days,	4 50
—— Shepherd, 1 day,	1 50
" team, 1-2 day,	1 00
Elmer Wheeler, 2 days, 2 hours,	3 30
Geo. W. Noyes, 7 days, 2 hours,	10 80
" " team, 3 days, 6 hours,	7 20
—— Cook, 6 days, 9 hours,	10 35
J. E. Brown, 18 days, 3 hours,	27 45
W. L. Emerson, 4 days, 4 hours,	6 60
Fred Wilson, 11 days, 9 hours,	17 85
N. B. Simpson, 4 days, 4 hours,	6 60
A. E. Simpson, 4 days, 4 hours,	6 60
" " team, 4 days, 4 hours,	8 80
" " use of plow,	80

Geo. Brickford, 14 days, 8 hours,	22 20
P. Roby, 6 days,	9 00
H. Kendall, 9 1-2 days,	14 25
Geo. Simpson, 7 days,	10 50
Lewis Call, man, 1 day,	1 50
Arthur Rowe, 4 1-2 days,	6 75
S. L. Prescott, 2 days, 6 hours,	3 90
" " team, 6 days, 2 1-2 hours,	12 50
" " use of plow,	50
J. W. M. Worledge, 5 days, 1 1-2 hours,	7 73
" " team, 2 days, 8 hours,	5 60
S. L. Prescott, 715 feet railing, at 1c,	7 15
" " 40 posts for railing,	2 55
" " spikes,	60
Joseph O. A. Lamson, 7 posts for railing,	50
W. D. Cochran, 345 feet railing,	3 45
" " use of plow, broken,	5 00
" " spikes,	25
" " 105 loads gravel,	5 25
Mrs. Smith, 44 "	2 20
Geo. E. Seavey, 30 "	1 50
A. A. Morrison, 24 "	1 20
John Shea, 9 "	45
L. A. Morrison, 17 "	85
D. B. Sanborn, labor and dynamite,	1 00
—— Coulson, 27 loads gravel,	1 35
Arthur Ward, 17 "	85
Geo. E. Seavy, for 609 feet bridge plank,	9 74
	$516 94

By order, June 16th,	$213 74	
Nov. 29th,	290 38	
Feb. 15th,	12 82	
		$516 94

W. D. COCHRAN, *Agent.*

W. D. COCHRAN, Road Agent.

To shoveling snow in winter of 1899.

Paid W. L. Emerson, 31 hours,	$ 4 65
E. B. Smith, 7 hours,	1 05
G. W. Noyes, 15 hours,	2 25
" " " team, 15 hours,	3 00
—— Cook, 12 hours,	1 80
R. H. Bailey, 19 hours,	2 85
C. S. Bailey, 10 hours,	75
Earnest Baily, 10 hours,	75
H. Kendall, 17 hours,	2 55
E. St. Lawrence, 5 hours,	75
David Eubert, 18 hours,	2 70
Fred Wilson, 29 hours,	4 35
N. B. Simpson, 29 hours,	4 35
A. E. Simpson, 9 hours,	1 35
" " " team, 10 hours,	2 00
S. L. Prescott, 16 hours,	2 40
" " " team, 5 hours,	1 00
William Ellis, 16 hours,	2 40
" " team, 8 hours,	1 60
Joseph Lamson, 3 hours,	45
John H. K. Lamson, 3 hours,	45
H. A. Cochran, 6 1-2 hours,	98
W. D. Cochran, 3 1-2 hours,	70
" " " team, 6 1-2 hours,	1 30
John W. Hanson, 3 hours,	45
Horace Johnson, 25 1-2 hours,	3 80
Isaac G. Howe, 2 hours,	30
" " " team, 2 hours,	40
C. H. Davis, 2 hours,	30
John Jameson, 2 1-3 hours,	35
George Johnson, 2 1-2 hours,	38
Chester Johnson, 2 1-2 hours,	38

Irving Johnson, 1 hour,	10
J. W. Dinsmoor, 2 1-2 hours,	38
" " " team, 2 1-2 hours,	50
	$53 77

W. D. COCHRAN, *Agent.*

FRANK H. JEWETT, AGENT.

Paid Frank Jewett, labor, 362 hours,	$72 40
" " team, 50 hours,	5 00
Charles K. Barker, labor, 105 hours,	15 76
" " " team, 105 hours,	21 00
" " " use of plow	2 00
John A. Moore, labor, 58 1-3 hours,	8 75
" " team, 58 3-4 "	11 75
" " use of plow,	1 50
A. F. Campbell, labor, 75 hours,	11 25
" " team, 55 hours,	11 00
S. Sheldon, labor, 80 hours, at 10c,	8 00
C. A. Sheldon, labor, 19 hours,	2 85
S. F. Campbell, labor, 5 hours,	75
W. C. Campbell, labor, 5 hours,	75
H. S. Reynolds, labor, 49 hours,	7 35
F. J. Hughes, labor, 90 hours,	13 50
" " team, 70 hours,	14 00
Elbridge Boyce, labor, 21 hours,	3 15
A. W. Farmer, labor, 75 hours,	11 25
" " team, 70 hours,	14 00
Joseph Turner, labor, 233 hours,	34 95
Joseph Lecross, labor, 120 hours,	18 00
Eli Bishop, labor, 115 hours,	17 25
Daniel Walbridge, labor, 180 hours,	27 00
Peter Leforge, labor, 180 hours,	27 00
Geo. Hall, labor, 146 2-3 hours,	22 00
Franklin Young, labor, 80 hours,	12 00

Zephien Tousignant, labor, 95 hours,	14 25
Chas. H. Barker, 63 1-2 hours,	9 50
Philip Nichols, labor, 30 hours, at 12 1-2 cents,	3 70
Chas. M. Webber, labor, 104 hours,	15 60
" " " team, 104 hours,	20 80
Wm. Humphrey, labor, 2 hours,	30
Geo. Rollins, labor, 1 2-3 hours,	25
Herbert Russell, labor, 14 1-3 hours,	2 15
Will Hall, labor, 50 hours, at 10c,	5 00
Edward Kimball, labor, 40 hours,	6 00
Wm. Armstrong, labor, 1 hour,	15
Frank Hall, labor, 10 hours,	1 50
Byron Tromble, labor, 55 hours,	8 25
A. Hammond, labor, 6 2-3 hours,	1 00
Chas. Buttrick, labor, 6 2-3 hours,	1 00
Henry Clark, labor, 35 hours,	5 25
Frank Jewett, 100 loads gravel,	5 00
Albert Farmer, 120 " "	6 00
Joseph Turner, 20 " "	1 00
Chas. H. Barker, 1 " "	5
Geo. H. Clark, paint for bridge,	75
" " " oil "	30
" " " 5 hours painting bridge,	75
Wm. Lindsay, sharpening picks,	20
Fred Pillsbury, spikes,	25
Frank Jewett, bridge rails,	50
" " spikes and iron,	1 21
	$504 96

By order,

May 13,	$284 26	
June 21,	121 20	
Aug. 23,	78 05	
Dec. 11,	21 45	
		$504 96

FRANK H. JEWETT, *Agent.*

C. O. PARKER, Road Agent.

Paid G. Gordan, 11 1-2 days,		$17 25
J. St. Thomas, 11 1-2 days,		17 25
M. M. Twomey, 21 1-4 days,		31 87
C. O. Parker, 34 days,		66 00
C. O. Parker, team, 33 days,		66 00
W. F. Spotwood, 31 1-2 days,		46 62
Joe Bouten, 27 1-2 days,		41 24
P. Bouten, 29 days,		43 50
J. E. Cochran, 1 1-4 days,		1 87
J. E. Cochran, team, 1 1-4 days,		2 50
L. B. Kimball, 4 1-2 days,		6 75
L. B. Kimball, team, 4 1-2 days,		9 00
J. J. Quill, 8 1-2 days,		12 75
C. J. Woodman, 4 1-4 days,		6 37
C. J. Woodman, team, 4 1-4 days,		8 50
Nat. Esty, 3-4 day,		1 12
Peter Hurd, 31 3-4 days,		46 87
Bishop, 15 days,		22 50
A. A. Armstrong, 4 1-2 days,		5 62
Olin Parker, 50 loads gravel,		2 50
J. H. Dinsmoor, 20 loads gravel,		1 00
J. E. Cochran, 75 loads gravel,		3 75
W. H. Armstrong, 48 loads gravel,		2 40
Nat. Esty, 86 loads gravel,		4 30
W. C. Harris, 114 loads gravel,		5 70
H. Y. Gilson, 19 loads gravel,		95
Sharpening picks and bars,		1 50
		$475 68
By orders, May 15,	$141 49	
June 29,	100 00	
July 10,	161 62	
Feb. 15,	72 57	
		$475 68

SNOW PATHS.

Paid W. F. Spotwood, 13 hours,	$1 95
C. O. Parker, team, 4 "	80
F. Low, 5 1-2 hours,	83
A. A. Armstrong, 3 hours,	45
M. M. Twomey, 2 1-2 hours,	38
M. M. Twomey, 2 1-2 hours,	50
E. L. Senter, 2 hours,	80
J. J. Quill, 2 1-2 hours,	38
C. B. Clark, 5 hours,	75
J. E. Cochran, 4 hours,	60
L. B. Kimball, 2 hours,	30
J. A. Nesmith, 4 hours,	60
C. O. Parker, 14 hours,	2 80
	$10 64

C. O. PARKER, *Agent.*

SNOW PATHS FOR 1899.

Paid Arthur Myers, 20 hours, for team,	$4 00
Elbridge Boyce, 20 hours,	3 00
M. M. Esty, 30 hours, for team,	6 00
" " 2 men, 40 hours,	12 00
L. L. Moore, 21 hours,	3 15
Walter Moore, 21 hours,	3 15
Joe Turner, 10 hours,	1 50
Geo. Rollins, 10 hours,	1 50
Geo. Hall, 8 hours,	1 20
F. Brown, 10 hours,	1 50
C. M. Webber, 10 hours,	1 50
" " 20 hours, for team,	4 00
A. W. Farmer, 30 hours,	4 50

R. M. Hill, 4 horses, 20 hours,	8 00
" " 3 men, 12 1-2 hours,	5 62
" " 1 man, 10 hours,	1 50
	$62 12

A. W. FARMER, *Agent.*

REPORT OF CEMETERY COMMITTEE.

D. J. Warren, sexton, reports number of deaths in town during year ending Feb. 15, 1900,	3
Removed from town for burial,	
Brought into town for burial,	3
Received from friends of those who have died for services with hearse and opening graves,	$9 00

TREASURER'S REPORT.

DEBTOR.

To cash on hand for one burial lot,	$3 00
Received for five burial lots in cemetery on the Plain,	15 00
from Mrs. Woodman for standing grass in cemeteries,	6 00
dividend on general fund,	25 35
dividend on Wilson fund,	9 30
part of interest on funds due from town,	104 55
Deposit in Merrimack River Savings Bank, Manchester,	720 12
Manchester Savings Bank, Manchester,	306 32
	$1189 64

CREDITOR.

Paid D. J. Warren, care and labor in cemetery on the hill,	
D. J. Warren, care and labor in cemetery,	$9 75
on the Plain,	17 49

Horace Berry for fertilizer	18 00
A. E. Simpson, building and cementering wall at cemetery on the hill,	60 53
A. E. Simpson, for 12 ring bolts and putting in same,	2 20
W. H. Perry, for four corner posts for Wilson lot,	20 00
J. A. McVoy, for services and labor setting posts, grading lot, resetting head stones in cemeteries and cement,	5 50
Horace Berry, services,	2 50
W. D. Cochran, services, teaming aud setting posts, grading lot, resetting head stones,	5 50
W. D. Cochran, fertilizer and grass seed for Wilson lot,	1 08
committee amount due last year,	1 85
Deposit general fund in Merrimack River Savings Bank, Manchester,	726 12
Wilson fund in Manchester Savings Bank, Manchester,	306 32
Cash on hand from sale of four burial lots,	12 00
in hands of treasurer,	80
	$1189 64

Due from town interest on funds, $69.77

The balance of the "Wilson fund" (seven hundred dollars) still in "Mechanic's" Savings Bank, Nashua; cannot say anything positive in regard to it; hope to get another dividend in the near future; bank in the hands of a receiver.

Mr. D. J. Warren has had charge of the cemeteries during the year past. One half ton of fertilizer has been sown, grass and bushes cut. Five lots have been sold in cemetery on the Plain. Another section of substantial cemented wall has been built by Mr. A. E. Simpson, at the cemetery on the hill. The lots, where repose the bodies of the father, mother and sister of Mr. Wilson, the donor of the "Wilson Fund," have been graded, fertilized and seeded down to grass. Cor-

ner posts have been set, head stones reset, making a much improved look to the lots. The income of the general fund is not sufficient to do all that the committee would like, for the care of the cemeteries, and it is the desire to see the fund increased to such an amount that the interest will be ample to keep them in good condition.

J. A. McVOY,
W. D. COCHRAN, } *Committee.*
HORACE BERRY,

MEMORIAL DAY REPORT.

Received of Town Treasurer,	$35 00
Received of John G. Bradford,	20
Received from sale of sugar,	40
	$35 60

EXPENDITURES.

Paid speakers,	$10 00
for music,	15 00
coffee,	1 40
butter,	88
sugar,	1 00
fruit,	5 00
freight on fruit,	25
napkins,	50
flags,	1 00
milk,	37
postage,	20
	$35 60

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN G. BRADFORD,
FREDERICK J. HUGHES, } *Committee.*
HORACE BERRY,

MINISTERIAL FUND.

AGENT'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 1ST, 1900.

DR.

To deposit in Amoskeag Savings Bank,	$1,500 00
interested collected to July 1st, 1899,	52 66
deposit in Manchester Savings Bank,	489 63
interest collected to July 1st, 1899,	14 71
	$2,057 00

CR.

By deposit in Amoskeag Savings Bank;	$1,500 00
deposit in Manchester Savings Bank,	489 63
Paid to Presbyterian Religious Society.	67 37
	$2,057 00

Respectfully submitted,

J. P. CROWELL, *Agent.*

Vital Statistics.

BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF WINDHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1889.

Date.	Name of the Child, if any.	Sex and Condition.				Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.	Color of Parents.	Residence of Parents.	Occupation of Father.	Birthplace of Father.	Birthplace of Mother.
		Male or Female.	Living or Stillborn.	No. of Child. 1st,2d,&c.	Color.							
Mch. 26	Rollins	F	Living	4th	W	George H. Rollins	Idilia L. Daniels	W	Windham	Laborer	Manchester,N.H.	Georgia, Vt.
Mch. 4	John A. Lamson	M	"	5th	"	John H. K. Lamson	Mary E. Robbins	"	"	Farmer	Windham	Dunstable, Mass.
Mch 4	Geo. Elmer Brown	M	"	1st	"	Frank B. Brown	Annie Lacourse	"	"	Laborer	Newport, Me.	No. Andover, Mass
Apr. 29	Pricilla Elode	F	"	10th	"	George S. Alexander	Mary J. Outhank	"	"	Stone mason	Windham	West Borough, Me.
May 13	Grace Edith	F	"	1st	"	Leroy Davis	Grace Moran	"	"	Clerk	Derry, N. H.	West Forster, Vt.
May 28	Ellen Louise	F	"	1st	"	Patsey Mahoney	Minnie T. E. Bowers	"	"	Farmer	Boston, Mass.	Lowell, Mass.
July 28	Hattie Ruth	F	"	1st	"	Lewis B. Peterson	Abbie E. Myers	"	"	Jeweler	Windham	Concord
Oct. 12	Florence Lillian	F	"	2d	"	Herbert M. Kendell	Elizabeth M.Sanborn	"	"	Farmer	Dracut, Mass.	Blue Hill, Me.
Nov. 24	Michael	M	"	3d	"	Patrick Cronin	Bridget Kearns	"	"	Railroad man	Ireland	Ireland
Dec. 26	Harris	M	"	7th	"	Herbert W. Harris	Mary I. Woodbury	"	"	Shoemaker	Blackstone,Mass.	Westmoreland, N. H.
Dec. 29	Blanche Evelyn	F	"	2d	"	George K. Bickford	Marion A. Jewett	"	"	Weaver	Conway, N. H.	Conway, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN E. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk.*

Marriages Registered in the Town of Windham for the Year Ending December 31, 1899.

Date	Place of Marriage	Name and Surname of Groom and Bride.	Residence of each at time of Marriage	Age in years	Color of each	Occupation of Groom and Bride.	Place of Birth of each.	Name of Parents	Birthplace of Parents	Occupation	Condition	Name, Residence and Official Station of person by whom married.
Jan. 12	Windham	O. A. Kenefick,	Lawrence, Ms	38	W	Photographer,	Lawrence, Mass.	William Kenefick, Ann Malley,	Ireland, "		1	D. J. Leonard, Cath. Clergyman,
		Marion L. Dowe,	Windham,	22	W	At Home,	Windham,	Abel Dowe, Rhoda A. Plummer	Windham, "		1	Lawrence, Mass.
May 10	Hudson C'r	Charles A. Goodwin,	Windham,	26	W	Farmer,	"	Alpheus Goodwin, Lydia McCoy,	Windham,		1	George W. Kinney, Clergyman,
		Lottie Westfield,	Manc'r, N.H.	31	W	Clairvoyant,	Conn.	William Westfield, Jessie Mayer,			2	Hudson Centre, N. H.
May 13	Hud'n, N.H	Orrin W. Wilson,	Windham,	19	W	Section Man,	Windham,	Frank Wilson, Abbie J. Lamson,	Windham,		1	F. P. Chapin, Clergyman,
		Megm'ette M. Penneo	Hampstead,	18	W	Housework,	Hampstead,	George J. Penneo, Angie R. Haynes,	Hampstead,		1	Hudson, N. H.
Sept. 10	Windham,	Joseph F. Hunnewell	Windham,	30	W	Farmer,	Somerville, Mass.	J. T. Hunnewell, Sarah Ann Oliver,	Woburn, Ms.		1	John E. Cochran, Justice of Peace,
		Agnes B. Tolksdorf.	"	30	W	Housekeeper,	Berlin, Germany.	Ernist Tolksdorf, Emile Miller,			1	Windham, N. H.
Nov. 30	Windham,	Samuel H. Weeks,	Dexter, Me,	22	W	Farmer,	Pelmyre, Me.	Abraham H. Weeks Hannah A. Osborne	Hartland, Me.		1	Noble Fish, Clergyman,
		Grace M. Scott,	Windham,	22	W	At Home,	Windham, N. H,	Phineas D. Scott, Eliza M. Conant,	Rowley, Ms.		1	Salem, N. H.
Dec. 20	Windham,	Walton C. Barker,	"	25	W	Milk Dealer,	Nashua, N. H.	Augustus L. Barker Mary A. Cochran.	Windham, "		1	Albert Watson, Clergyman,
		Mable M. Jewett,	"	19	W	At Home,	Lowell, Mass.	Frank H. Jewett, Theodate J. Rowe,	Milton Mills Windham,		1	Windham, N. H.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN E. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk.*

Deaths Registered in the Town of Windham for the Year Ending December 31, 1899.

Date.	Name and surname of the deceased.	Age.			Place of Birth.	Sex and Condition.			Occupation.	Place of Birth.		Name of Father.	Maiden Name of Mother.
		Years.	Months.	Days.		Male.	Female	Single, married or widowed.		Father.	Mother.		
Mch. 7	Abraham Merrill,	68			Lynn, Mass.	M		W	Gentleman,	Salem, N. H.	Windham,	Abram Merrill,	Nancy Morrison.
Apr. 23	Diantha A. Merniam,	53	4	17	Derry, N. H.		F	M	Housewife,	Derry, N. H.	Warner, N. H.	James Miltmore,	Sarah J. Burns.
Oct. 12	Hopley Twombly,	85	6			M			Farmer,				
Dec. 27	Alex Brewer,	22			Canada.	M		M	Piper,	Canada,	Canada,	John Broviland,	Melve Rever.

Brought to Town for Interment.

Charles H. Cochran, died January 7, aged 33 years; place, Boston.
Sarah Simpson, " " 16, " 65 " " Lowell.
Infant Rothera, " February 10, " 1 hour; " Lawrence.
Mary L. Salmond, " March 1, " 75 years, 4 months, 6 days; place, Andover, Mass.
Mary B. Bailey, " May 15, " 80 " 9 " 5 " " Salem, Mass.
Maria Cottle, " July 24, " 78 " 5 " 1 day; " Lowell, Mass.
David Salmond, " October 30, " 47 " " Boston, Mass.

I hereby certify that the above return is correct, according to the best of my knowledge and belief.

JOHN E. COCHRAN, *Town Clerk.*

Fourteenth Annual Report

OF THE

SCHOOL BOARD

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1900.

WARRANT FOR SCHOOL MEETING.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.

The legal voters in the School District of the Town of Windham, in said State, are requested to meet in the lower Town Hall, on Saturday the 17th day of March, at 1.30 o'clock in the afternoon, to act upon the following articles:

1. To choose a Moderator for the ensuing year.

2. To choose a Clerk for the ensuing year.

3. To choose a Treasurer for the ensuing year.

4. To choose two Auditors for the ensuing year.

5. To choose one person to serve as a member of the School Board for the ensuing three years.

6. To see how much money the district will vote to raise for the support of schools for the ensuing year.

7. To see how much money the district will vote to raise for repairs of district property for the ensuing year.

8. To see how much money the district will vote to raise for school supplies for the ensuing year.

9. To act upon the report of the School Board and Treasurer.

10. To see if the district will vote to hire a Superintendent of Schools in accordance with Chap. 77, Session Laws of 1899.

Given under our hands this 23rd day of February, 1900.

EDWARD A. HASKELL,
WILLIAM C. HARRIS,
WILLIAM L. EMERSON, } *School Board of Windham, N. H.*

A true copy Attest:

EDWARD A. HASKELL,
WILLIAM C. HARRIS,
WILLIAM L. EMERSON, } *School Board of Windham, N. H.*

SCHOOL REPORT.

Fourteenth annual report of School Board.

Our schools have been in session thirty-three weeks the past year, 12 weeks in the spring and 21 weeks in the fall and winter, with the exception of No. 1 school, which, owing to the falling off in attendance, had only twenty weeks.

Taken as a whole our schools have done excellent work.

You will be asked to vote upon an article at the next school meeting, relating to the formation of a Supervisory District, under Chapter 77 of the Session Laws of 1899.

Towns uniting to form a Supervisory District for employing a Superintendent of Schools shall be entitled to receive from the State Treasurer one-half its apportioned share of salary of said Superintendent.

EDWARD A. HASKELL,
WILLIAM C. HARRIS,
WILLIAM L. EMERSON,
School Board of Windham. N. H.

TEACHERS EMPLOYED.

No. 1.	Sadie G. Edwards, Spring.
" "	Ruth Shapley, Fall.
No. 2.	Mrs. A. H. Loker, Spring.
" "	Grace E. Perry, Fall.
" "	Jennie F. Lowe, "
No. 3.	Jennie F. Lowe, Spring.
" "	Jennie F. Lowe, Fall.
No. 4.	Sara E. Wheeler, Spring,
" "	Sara E. Wheeler, Fall.
No. 5.	Ethel A. Richardson, Spring.
" "	Clara J. Ayer, Fall.
No. 6.	Ethel M. Bowers, Spring.
" "	Ethel M. Rowers, Fall.

ROLL OF PERFECT ATTENDANCE.

No. 1 Arthayer Sanborn, Alice Sanborn, Edith Sanborn.

No. 2 Bessie Emerson, Clara Emerson, Chester Emerson, Carl Emerson, Martha Emerson, Bertha Kimball, Alice Kendall.

No. 3 Hazel Getchell, Mabel Taylor, Lillian Taylor.

No. 4 Felix Proulx, (2 terms,) Louise Campbell, Clayton Esty.

No. 5 Mildred Young, Vincient Young, Franklin Young, Chas. Algrove, Lewis Hills, Chas. Farmer, (2 terms) Forest Bullock, Clifford Russell.

No. 6 Emma J. Woodman (2 terms,) Della Rowe, Sidney Rowe, Maurice Rowe.

STATISTICAL TABLE.

	SUMMER TERM.						FALL TERM.						FUND TERM.		
No. of School,	1	2	3	4	5	6	1	2	3	4	5	6	2	4	6
Length in Weeks,	12	9 3-5	12	12	12	12	20	In Session	21	21	21	21		Schools in Session.	
Whole No. of Pupils,	27	10	16	5	13	8	27		14	7	14	10			
Average No. belonging,	23	10	16	5	13	7	13		13	6	12	10			
Average daily attendance,	20	9	15	4	12	6	11		11	5	11	6			
No. not absent,	3	7	3	2	8	6				2	1	4			
Visits by Board,	4	3	3	5	5	4	2		5	4	6	7			
Visits by others,	45	3	61	21	29	36	17		24	17	21	32			
Wages per Month,	$30.00	$30.00	$30.00	$24.00	$28.00	$28 00	$30.00	$30 00	$30.00	$26 00	$30.00	$28.00			
Pupils in Reading,	27	10	16	5	13	8	27		14	6	14	10			
Spelling,	27	10	16	3		8	27		14	4	14	10			
Penmanship,	27	10	14	3	13	8	27		14	4	14	10			
Arithmetic,	27	10	14	3	13	7	26		14	5	14	10			
Geography,	18	9	14	3	11	6	18		11	3	10	8			
Grammar,	5	9	12	3	9	6	8		10	3	8	8			
History,	4	5	12	2	9	5	5		10	3	8	6			
Physiology,	3			2		2	4		4	3	3	5			
Composition,		9	7			5				1	8	8			
Other Studies,		10	12	2					2		2	2			

ORDERS.

Orders given by School Board, 1899.

NO.		
1.	R. E. Lane, supplies,	$ 1 50
2.	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies,	1 80
3.	J. L. Hammett Co., supplies,	2 13
4.	Thos. R. Shewell, supplies,	7 50
5.	Mrs. A. H. Loker, teaching on account,	37 50
6.	Sadie G. Edwards, teaching on account,	15 00
7.	Horace B. Johnson, repairing clock,	1 00
8	E. H. Anderson, janitor, No. 6, 5 weeks, at 25c,	1 25
9.	Sara E. Wheeler, teaching, on account,	24 00
10.	Ambrose Richardson, cleaning No. 5 house,	2 00
11.	Sadie G. Edwards, teaching, balance,	75 00
12.	Mrs. A. H. Loker, teaching, balance,	34 50
13.	Jennie F. Lowe, teaching,	90 00
14.	Sara E. Wheeler, teaching, balance,	48 00
15.	Ethel Richardson, teaching,	84 00
16.	Ethel M. Bowers, teaching,	84 00
17.	Emma J. Woodman, janitor, 35 days, at 5c,	1 75
18.	Athayer Sanborn, janitor No. 1	1 55
19.	I. W. Grass, janitor No. 3,	2 35
20.	Vincent Young, janitor No. 5,	3 50
21.	A. W. Farmer, 1 cord wood,	3 50
22.	Sara E. Wheeler, janitor No. 4,	1 55
23.	Sara E. Wheeler, teaching, on account,	39 00
24.	W. C. Harris, hard and soft wood,	7 25
25.	Sara E. Wheeler, teaching, on account,	13 00
26.	S. L. Butterfield, cleaning No. 3 house,	3 00

27.	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies,	8 80
28.	Jennie F. Lowe, curtains for No. 3,	1 75
29.	Irving Johnson, janitor, 28 days at 5c,	1 40
30.	Ruth Shapley, teaching, on account,	82 50
31.	Grace E. Perry, teaching, on account,	88 50
32.	Clarence S. Bailey, janitor, 9 weeks at 25c,	2 25
33.	" " " " 11 " at 25c,	2 75
34.	American Book Co., supplies,	29 36
35.	C. J. Ayer, teaching, on account,	20 00
36.	R. M. Hills, wood,	3 00
37.	Ethel M. Bowers, teaching, on account,	84 00
38.	Emma J. Woodman, janitor No. 6,	3 00
39.	Sara E. Wheeler, teaching, on account,	26 00
40.	Clara J. Ayer, teaching, on account,	70 00
41.	Felix Proulx, janitor, 12 weeks at 25c,	3 00
42.	Samuel Sheldon, repairs, No. 4 house,	2 30
43.	E. A. Haskell, express, postage, etc,	2 43
44.	Chas. K. Barker, repairs, No. 5 house,	4 00
45.	M. C. Page, repairs on No. 3 house,	18 26
46.	A. W. Farmer, wood,	7 50
47.	Vincent Young, janitor and sawing wood,	6 75
48.	Ginn & Co., supplies,	2 01
49.	Jennie F. Lowe, teaching, 21 weeks at $7.50	157 50
50.	Clara J. Ayer, teaching, balance,	67 50
51.	Ethel M. Bowers, teaching, balance,	63 00
52.	Sara E. Wheeler, teaching, balance,	58 50
53.	Maurice G. Armstrong, janitor,	25
54.	Ruth Shapley, teaching, balance,	67 50
55.	Irving Johnson, janitor, 25 days at 5c,	1 25
56.	E. E. Babb & Co., supplies,	7 50
57.	Israel Woodman, sawing and housing wood,	3 56
58.	Grace E. Perry, teaching, balance,	67 50
59.	Horace Berry, prepared wood and repairs, No. 3,	8 37
60.	A. F. Campbell, prepared wood,	14 93

61. D. J. Warren, repairs, No. 6,	1 25
62. Clarence Bailey, janitor,	2 25
63. Emma J. Woodman, janitor,	2 25
64. Felix Proulx, janitor,	2 25
65. Jennie F. Lowe, janitor $5.25, supplies 35,	5 60
66. Howard Jameson, janitor,	35
67. W. L. Emerson, wood,	13 75
68. W. L. Emerson, repairs and supplies,	3 68
69. W. C. Harris, wood,	5 00
70. W. D. Cochran, wood,	8 66
	$1,611 59

Windham, N. H., Feb. 23, 1900.

We, the auditors, have this day examined the above accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN E. COCHRAN,
JOHN H. DINSMORE, } *Auditors.*

RECAPITULATION.

Paid Teachers,	$1,390 50
Supplies,	60 95
Repairs,	32 74
Wood and incidental expenses,	127 40
	$1,611 59

EDWARD A. HASKELL, for School Board.

SCHOOL TREASURER REPORT.

The Treasurer respectfully submit the following report for the year ending Feb. 15, 1900:

DR.

To cash received from Treasurer, 1899,	$156 67
amount required by law,	755 00
voted at school meeting,	500 00
voted for school supplies,	75 00
voted for school repairs,	50 00
Literary fund,	56 43
Dog licenses,	102 00
from Derry for tuition,	6 50
W. L. Emerson, No. 2 fund,	47 20
W. C. Harris, No. 6 fund,	26 50
H. S. Reynolds, No. 4 fund,	30 93
	$1,806 23

CR.

By cash paid on order No. 1, March 16, 1898,	$ 11 20
69 orders of School Board,	1,610 59
due No. 2 for fund,	47 20
due No. 4 for fund,	30 93
due No. 6 for fund,	26 50
outstanding order,	1 00
cash on hand,	78 81
	$1,806 23

WILLIAM L. EMERSON, *Treasurer.*

Windham, N. H., Feb. 23, 1900.

We, the undersigned, have this day examined the above accounts and find them correctly cast and properly vouched.

JOHN E. COCHRAN,
JOHN H. DINSMORE, } *Auditors*

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON MEMORIAL TABLETS

At the last annual meeting the undersigned were chosen a committee to procure and place in the Library Building suitable tablets bearing the names of the men of this town who were engaged in the several wars of our country, and the town appropriated the sum of $400 for the purpose.

After consulting with marble workers in Lowell, Nashua, Manchester and Concord, the committee awarded the contract to Fuller & Winslow of Nashua, who, for $330, furnished and put in position six tablets of Italian marble, bearing, in gilt letters, the names of 249 soldiers, 44 of whom were in the French and Indian wars; 133 in the Revolution, 28 in the war of 1812, 1 in the Mexican war, and 43 in the war of the Rebellion.

The tablets were placed in position in season to be dedicated with appropriate exercises on Memorial Day, May 30.

The expenses of the tablets were as follows:

Paid Fuller & Winslow, of Nashua,	$330 00
Paid W. C. Harris for time and expenses in procuring tablets,	10 00
	$340 00

W. C. HARRIS,
LEONARD A. MORRISON, } *Committee.*
W. D. COCHRAN,

Feb. 15, 1900.

REPORT OF THE COMMITTEE ON ANTIQUARIAN ARTICLES.

At a special town meeting held Sept. 20, the undersigned were chosen a committee to solicit and collect articles of historic and antiquarian interest, to be preserved by the town. We have accomplished something, and desire the approval of the town to continue the work. We have already deposited in the Armstrong Memorial Building the following books:

A copy of a very rare book donated by J. A. Park, entitled "Forma Sacra," published in 1774 by Rev. Simon Williams of this town and containing lists of names of subscribers in Windham and other towns. Twelve books which belonged to the old "Windham Library," which was established in 1806 and existed until May 4, 1860, when its books were sold at auction. These were donated by W. L. Emerson, W. S. Harris, L. A. Morrison, and Mrs. Milner. Several of them were among the first books in that early library, and were printed before 1800.

The remaining books and cases of the "School District Libraries," given in 1839 by Hon. John Nesmith of Lowell.

Only in districts No. 2 and 6 were any remnants of these libraries found, and many will regret that it is not now possible to make one complete set of the 50 books which, 60 years ago, were presented to each of the six school districts. With them we have placed the remaining books of a set of 20 volumes, added by subscription in 1856. One book, donated by James Barker, which belonged to the "Windham Social Library," established by subscription in 1852 and destroyed by fire four years later.

A partial canvass of the town has been made, sufficient to show that a large number of antiquities and relics connected with the early history and inhabitants of this town would be available if a room could be provided suitable to contain them. Such articles, illustrative of the lives of our ancestors, as spinning wheels, reels, wooden-mouldboard plow, and

the old stone hand-mill on the A. A. Morrison place, which was used by the first settlers to grind corn, ought not to be allowed to be destroyed or removed from town.

Your committee, however, does not, at this time, ask the town to do any more than authorize us to place in the reading room of the library building one or two small cabinets and appropriate a sum not exceeding $25 for the purpose. These would take up no space otherwise needed, would be an ornament to the room, and would be sufficient to contain a number of ancient books and small articles of interest, of which the following are a few samples of the many which we have found available:

Flax-comb, marked 1776, which belonged to J. A. Park's great-grandfather; cane of G. F. Armstrong's great-grandfather; copy-book of the "Rustic Bard"; copy-book of Joseph Park, Sr., 1785; pitch-pipe of same; Armstrong bonnet, over 70 years old; spice mortar used in town 110 years ago; stock of gun carried by a Pelham soldier at Burgoyne's surrender, 1777; Bible of Robert Park, the immigrant, printed 1698: old New England Premier, and many other ancient books and manuscripts.

Many valuable relics have been sold or given away and removed from town; more have been burned or otherwise destroyed. We hope the town will see the importance of gathering up at least a few of the smaller and more ornamental articles before it is too late, and placing them where they will be objects of interest to every visitor to the library, and be preserved to the future. The pecuniary and educational value of such a collection is sure to increase with every passing year.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM S. HARRIS,
EDWARD A. HASKELL, } *Committee.*

Twenty-Ninth Annual Report

OF THE

Trustees of Nesmith Library

For the Year Ending Feb. 15, 1900.

The chief event of interest during the past year to the trustees and friends of the library, was the receipt of the following letter, which explains itself, and shows the thoughtfulness of the man to whose kindness we are indebted for the Memorial Building.

CENTRE HARBOR, LAKE WINNEPESAUKEE, N. H.,

Aug. 8th, 1899.

To the Good People of Windham:

In giving you a house for your library, I have put on you a tax which may seem heavy to some of you, that is caring for it. I propose to add to my gift one thousand dollars ($1000) to keep the building in repair, that is the interest on that amount to be spent in keeping the building in good order. Should there be any of the interest money left, it may be spent for lighting, heating, or such use as the Trustees may see proper. It is my wish that the Memorial Hall be at the disposal of any of the men or women of the town who may wish to use it for social affairs, subject to the approval of the Trustees. Yours with much respect,

GEORGE W. ARMSTRONG.

At a special town meeting held on Wednesday, Sept. 20, 1899, the above offer was gratefully accepted.

Another gracious act of Mr. Armstrong's, was to secure a picture of the founder of the library, Col. Thomas Nesmith, and present it (suitably framed) to the town. The picture has found its appropriate place in the Reading Room. We are still further indebted to Mr. Armstrong for the gift of 13 books, including nearly the whole of Kipling's works. Another pleasant surprise for the Trustees was the gift of $50 by Mrs. Nancy G. Blaisdell, of Haverhill, Mass., by which 38 new books were added to the library. For Harper's Monthly Magazine we are indebted to Mrs. Martha L. Anderson, who has furnished them during the past two years.

To all of the above, and to those who have furnished the communications mentioned in Librarian's report, we return hearty thanks.

We are glad to note that there has been a decided increase in the number of books circulated during the past year—479 more than in the previous year. This may be partly explained by the fact that the library was open on Wednesdays during the months of May, June, July, August and September, as well as at the usual time on Saturday P. M. We think it clearly indicates an increased interest in the library, which we trust will become more marked as the value of the institution is better known and appreciated. The patrons of the library will kindly receive a word of caution, which we are constrained to make because of complaints which have come to us; and that is against marking the books. Marking is a good plan if the book is your own and you wish to emphasize your impressions for future reference; but it is an exceedingly bad plan to mark other people's books, and still worse when those books are public property. Such marking not only disfigures the book, but interferes with the comfort of the new reader who cares nothing about your impressions

and wishes to be left entirely free with a clean book to receive his own as he reads, without any hint or suggestion from any one.

The new librarian, Mrs. Josie B. Nesmith, has rendered effective service, and we have reason to believe that she is steadily growing in favor with the patrons of the library.

Respectfully submitted,

ALBERT WATSON,

For the Trustees.

REPORT OF THE TREASURER.

DR.

To cash received from last year,	$ 44
interest on library fund,	60 00
fines to Feb. 15, 1900,	2 34
	$62 78

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By cash paid for books,	$60 00
supplies,	1 40
on hand, .	1 38
	$62 78

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR ENDING FEB. 15, 1900.

Number of books in the Library at the beginning of the year,	3154
Number of books in the Library at present time,	3256
Largest number taken out in one month (July),	239
Smallest " " " " (May),	65
Largest " " " one day (March 25),	66
Smallest " " " " (June 14),	6
Whole number taken out during the year,	2124

Amount of fines received during the year, $2.34.

JOSIE B. NESMITH, *Librarian.*

COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED DURING THE YEAR.

Fourth Annual Report of the Board of Library Commissioners of N. H.

Sixth N. H. Manual of the General Court of 1899.

War Revenue Laws, 1898.

Annual Report for N. H. for 1899.

Year Book of the Department of Agriculture, '95, '96, '97, '98.

Report of Secretary of Agriculture for 1892.

Report of the Bureau of Annual Industries.

Report on Diseases of Horses, 1896.

Proceeding of N. S. National Museum, Vol. XX.

Report of Life Saving Service, 17 vols., from '82 to '98. (Kindness of George W. Armstrong).

Report of Free Public Library, Lawrence, Mass,

Report of Commissioners of Education.

Annual Report of Smithsonian Institution.

A Premier of Forestry. Part I.

A set of summer publications, descriptive of New England scenery and summer resorts, Armstrong Memorial Building.

Interesting literature has been supplied the reading room by Mrs. J. D. Heald, Mrs. M. M. P. Dinsmoor, Mrs. E. R. Oberg, Miss Alice L. Anderson, Eddie Anderson and W. S. Harris.

LIST OF NEW BOOKS.

A Girl of '76,	Amy E. Blanchard,	23-24
A Ken of Kipling,	W. M. Clemens,	141-22
A Little Daughter of Liberty,	Edith Robinson,	17-25
America and the Americans,	An English Author,	141-21
A Modern Sacrifice,	Mrs. G. R. Alden, "Pansy,"	41-25
A Village Contest,	I. T. Thurston,	3-28
Ballards,	Rudyard Kipling,	141-17
Barker's Luck,	Bret Harte,	23-25
Boy Life on the Prairie,	Hamlin Garland,	49-23
Campaigning in Cuba,	George Kennan,	141-30
Chapters from a Life,	Elizabeth Phelps Stewart,	141-24
Cheerful Yesterdays,	Thomas W. Higginson,	141-34
Colonial Life in N. H.,	J. H. Fassett,	22-25
Christian Doctrine of Prayer,	James F. Clark,	22-30
David Harum,	Edward Wescott,	3-27
Eastern Journeys,	Charles H. Dana,	22-28
Elizabeth and Her German Garden,		31-22
Famous Types of Womanhood,	Sarah K. Bolton,	31-24
Famored Leaders Among Men,	" "	31-26
Forward March,	Kirk Munior,	48-28
First Christmas Tree. The	Henry Van Dyke,	141-33
Fisherman's Luck,	" "	49-22
Gospel for an Age of Doubt,	" "	97-23
Gospel for a World of Sin,	" "	97-24
Girls Who Became Famous,	Sarah K. Bolton,	31-25
Greenland Icefields,	F. Wright and W. Upham,	21-27
George Washington, 2 vols.	Henry Cabot Lodge,	20-26-27
Harriet Beecher Stone,	Annie Fields,	20-30
History of 17th N. H. Volunteers,	C. F. Kent,	21-39
Ideal Life. The	Henry Drummond,	21-28
Iliad of Homer,	William C. Bryant,	116-26
In Fair Lochaber,	William Black,	20-28
Janice Merideth,	Paul Leicester Ford,	3-23
Jungle Book. The	Rudyard Kipling,	141-13
Light That Failed. The	" "	141-20
Literary Landmarks of Florence,	Lawrence Hutton,	22-27
Life and Public Services of Henry Stanton. 2 vols.	G. C. Gorham,	18-21-22
Life of Henry Drummond,	George Adam Smith,	18-26
Land of the Lingering Snow,	Frank Bolles,	31-23
Letters of Robert Browning and Elizabeth Barrett. 2 vols.		141-28-29
Log of a Sea Waif,	Frank T. Bullen,	47-30
Loveliness,	Elizabeth Stewart Phelps,	17-24
London,	Sir Walter Besant,	141-27
Lost Word. The	Henry Van Dyke,	141-32
Life on High Levels,	Margaret E. Sangter,	97-25
'Lizabeth Wilson,	Eliza N. Blair,	31-26

Lucy Larcum—Life, Letters and Dairy,		141-25
Magazines—Century. 2 vols.		27-7 8
—Harper's. 2 vols.		26-16-17
—St. Nicholas. 2 vols.		56 16-17
Many Inventions,	Rudyard Kipling,	141-15
Margaret Ogilvy,	J. M. Barrie,	22-20
Nancy Hanks,	Caroline Hanks Hitchcock,	82-32
Naulikka, The	Rudyard Kipling,	141-16
Our New Possessions,	T. I. Vivian and Ruel P. Smith,	49-24
Plain Tales from the Hills,	Rudyard Kipling,	141-15
Poems,	Walter Scott,	116 27
Principles of Fruit-Growing,	L. H. Bailey,	112-32
Richard Carvel,	Winston Churchill,	3-26
Rock of the Lion,	Mollie E. Seawell,	20-29
Seven Seas,	Rudyard Kipling,	141-23
Salted With Fire,	Geo. Macdonald,	21-25
Silas Marner,	Geo. Eliot,	3-24
Smith Brunt,	Waldron Kintzing Post,	47-29
Soldiers of Fortune,	Richard Harding Davis,	48-24
South London,	Sir Walter Besant,	12-30
Soldiers Three,	Rudyard Kipling,	141-18
Story of the Revolution, 2 vols,	Henry Cabot Lodge,	18-23-24
Sue Orcutt,	Charlotte M. Vaile,	3-22
Sermon Stories,	Louis A. Banks,	17-26
Square Pegs,	A. D. T. Whitney,	4-19
That Days Work,	Rudyard Kipling,	141-11
Through Asia, 2 vols..	Sren Hedin,	12-37-38
The Expedition to the Philippines,	F. D. Millet,	49-21
The Age of Fable—Mythology,	Thomas Bulfinch,	18-27
The Market Place,	Harold Frederic,	3-25
The Household of Sir Thos. Moore,	W. H. Hutton,	141-26
The Lion and the Unicorn,	Richard Harding Davis,	48-25
The Standard Bearer,	S. R. Crockett,	21-26
The Solitary Summer,		31-21
The Story Polly Pepper Told,	Margaret Sidney,	41-23
Through Nature to God,	John Fiske,	141-19
Trinity Bells,	Amelia Barr,	41-24
True to His Home,	Hezekiah Butterworth,	48 27
Two Young Patriots,	Everett T. Tomlinson,	48-26
The General's Double,	Charles King,	46-31
The Desire of Ages,	Mrs. E. G. White,	97-26
Transformation of Hawaii,	Belle M. Brain,	22-26
Under the Deodars,	Rudyard Kipling,	141-12
Via Crucis,	F. Marion Crawford,	3-29
Westminster,	Sir Walter Besant,	12-35
White Man's Africa,	Poultney Bigelow,	18-25
Wild Elin,	William Black,	141-31